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It would have pleased our Democratic friends better had our "accident" congressman turned out to be one of the do nothing kind.

The Standard Oil company has not yet even begun to holler, notwithstanding the number of "blows" it has received lately.

If "lid" whiskey participates in the campaign here this year we will look for some lively times later on. Soaking the voters with that kind of booze is likely to produce a murder or two.

Congressman Rhodes is in the front row of the Missouri delegation in Congress. Quite a contrast with the inconspicuous position the Thirteenth district has occupied there for many years heretofore.

It is reported that Folk has established a press bureau in behalf of his yet unimagined presidential boom. If "Holy Joe" really has his eye on the Democratic nomination for President in 1908, he should get his boom inflated before Mr. Bryan gets back home.

Another get rich quick scheme seems to have exploded. The reserve bond companies, which a few years ago were making such glowing offers to investors in their bonds, are having trouble in fulfilling their obligations, and a good portion of their assets seem to have vanished in the way peculiar to get rich-quick concerns.

It was pointed out the other day that the cash balance in the treasury of the state of Missouri was, with a single exception higher than it has ever been in the history of the state, and yet it has been claimed by our Democratic friends that if the Republicans ever got hold of the state's cash box again they would make a quick and clean swipe of its contents. We might add here that another lie has been tacked down.

J. A. Watson of Phelps county, whilom candidate for the Democratic nomination for State Senator in this district, has withdrawn from the race. Our Democratic exchanges mention this fact, but so far as we have noted none of them give Mr. Watson's reason for withdrawing. He finds from the little experience he has had that the pursuits of law offer him more congenial occupation than the "dirty politics" he would be required to engage in should he continue to press his claims for political preferment. Mr. Watson has a conscience too qualmish for a Democrat, particularly a Missouri Democrat. What seems most strange to us was that he expected to find the politics of his party otherwise than he did.

The nolle prosequi of the hoodling charge against Robert M. Snyder of Kansas City is but another instance that demonstrates the immunity of the man of millions from the criminal law. Snyder is a reputed millionaire, who was several years ago indicted for alleged hoodling in connection with the passage of a street railway bill by the city council of St. Louis. For one reason and another the case has been continued from term to term, and now because the court refused another continuation, the prosecution dropped the case and Snyder walks forth free and smiling, while a number of the councilmen, who had no millions with which to defeat the ends of justice, have had to do their "bit" in the penitentiary. The law excuses no one who commits an infraction of it through ignorance, but it has no penalties for him who has wealth. Society is largely to blame for this, for the man of many dollars, gotten by whatever means, in the community is regarded as a superior being, exempt from the rules and regulations of society that control the common herd, and we are all striving to put ourselves in the class of the rich.

There seems to be a flurry and decline in speculative stocks in Wall Street at present, but the stability of general business remains undisturbed. We notice the

latter condition evokes much favorable comment from the metropolitan press, which at the same time is most chary of dilating upon the influences that cause the depression in share values. We suppose the "system" of which Tom Lawson has elucidated so freely is taking profit again, and the metropolitan press is very, very careful of the interests of the "system." Industrial shares, like government, state or municipal bonds, have an actual value based upon their dividend earning capacity, and a speculative value based upon nothing more stable than the selfish interests of a small coterie of robbers who, by reason of their wealth manipulate the market to suit their own interests. The common mortal who buys these shares as an investment for his small means, often finds that he has only added his little pile to the big accumulations of the "system." We talk of regulating insurance companies, through federal control, of limiting the size of individual fortunes, but we seem to be peculiarly silent upon the subject of regulating the stock market for the prevention of the periodical looting of the small investor.

Continuous Business.

The fact that the first "night and day bank" in the world opened in New York this week and was an assured success from the start is probably of more significance than the average reader of the news imagines. According to some preternaturally far sighted observers, the bank that never closes is the first step toward the time when the machinery of metropolitan commercial life, instead of stopping at sunset, will roll on ceaselessly day and night, when three relays of clerks and artisans and laborers and employees will succeed each other, and the metropolis will become, in every sense of the word, an all day and all night city. Such a state of affairs, say the observers, is being forced forward by the fact New York's population grows more and more congested and, more than any other thing, room is demanded. If we have our population working in three relays, three men can work in the space now occupied by one, and the growing congestion will be relieved. If such a day ever arrives, the city will really have three separate populations, one of which will be wholly nocturnal. The three will have their separate newspapers, different amusements, different interests, different outlooks upon life. While one shift is breakfasting another will be dining; while one is sleeping another will be at the height of its daily activity. But the imaginations fail at the state of mind of the housewife whose husband and sons would be scattered through the three relays and whose whole life would be a jumble of conflicting breakfasts and dinners and sleeping hours.—New York Letter.

Self Denial.

Every woman likes to feel that she is doing her share towards making both ends meet, and the woman who is obliged to keep both mind and hands busy is far happier than she who has nothing to do but amuse herself. When a man of limited means marries of course he has to give up many of his bachelor pastimes. The money that meant luxury for one provides only necessities for two. Before marriage it was very sweet to spend his extra money on violets, candy and theaters. After marriage it is not at all exciting to spend it on coal and ice. But he can't have everything, and it is simply a choice as to which he loves best, the girl or freedom from responsibility. Because, after all, Mr. Bachelor, it is not so much that you have to deprive the girl of luxuries as it is that you have to undertake the responsibility of providing for two instead of one. The bachelor is usually a bachelor by choice, not by force of circumstances. A word to the wise is sufficient, and I would say to all these self-

PROGRAMME OF THE Commencement Exercises, OF THE POTOSI PUBLIC SCHOOL, May 17th and 18th, 1906.

Thursday Evening, May 17th, 1906.—8:00 o'clock.
Opening Chorus—"Lovey May."
Mother Goose's Boys.
Dialogue—"The Sick Pupil."
Instrumental Solo.
Cap Drill.
Flags of the Nations.
Parade Drill.
Mother Song.
Evening Song.
Dialogue—"The Sewing Society."
Instrumental Solo.
Song—"Why Won't They Play With Me."
Dialogue—"Keeping Store."
Dialogue—"Animals in a Circus."
Rose Festival.
Tableaux—"Around the Maypole."
Friday Morning, May 18th, 1906.—10:00 o'clock.
Male Quartette—"The Way of the World."
Edith Evans.
Class Prologue.
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Address, by Emmet Williams, Fredericktown, Mo.
Presentation of Diplomas.
Male Quartette—"I'd Like to Go Down South Once More."
Friday Evening, May 18th, 1906.—8:00 o'clock.
Song—"Gently Blow the Wind."
Recitation—"The Christening."
Recitation—"Mama's Waters."
Male Quartette—"Old Black Joe."
Recitation—"Mary's Midnight Ride."
Recitation—"The Death of Paul Donnelly."
Song—"The Boat Song."
Recitation—"Gertrude."
Recitation—"She Sang to Him of Heaven."
Male Quartette.
Mrs. Jettie's Wax Works.
Tableaux.
"Belinda Jane and Jonathan," a domestic comedy in one act.

sacrificing (?) gentlemen, if you are in love with a girl and are making enough to support two in even the most moderate manner, do not hesitate to tell her so. Loneliness is one of the most desperate ills that ever befalls the human being.—Ex.

Acting in Real Life.

The better a man plays his part the better he succeeds. The more a man knows of the art of acting, the greater the man, for, from the King on his throne to the beggar in the street, every man is acting. There is no greater comedian or tragedian than a great King. The knowledge of the art of acting is indispensable to a knowledge of mankind, and when you are able to pierce the disguise in which every man arrays himself, or read the character which every man assumes, you achieve an intimate knowledge of your fellow men, and you are able to cope with the man, either as he is, or as he pretends to be. It was necessary for Shakespeare to be an actor in order to know men. Without his knowledge of the stage, Shakespeare could never have been the reader of men that he was. And yet we are asked: "Is the stage worth while?" Napoleon and Alexander were both great actors; Napoleon perhaps the greatest actor of the world has ever seen. Whether on the bridge of Lodi, or in his camp at Tilsit; whether addressing his soldiers in the plains of Egypt; whether throwing open his old gray coat and saying: "Children, will you fire on your general?" whether bidding farewell to them Fontenoy, whether he was standing on the deck of the Bellerophon, or on the rocks of St. Helena, he was always an actor.—Richard Mansfield in the May Atlantic.

Germ Theory Not New.

How wise we mortals were a few hundred and a few thousand years ago! Two anticipations of modern scientific theories have lately been unearthed. Heat was defined as a "mode of motion" of J. A. Vander Linden, a famous teacher, in 1642. The passage quoted, when translated from the Latin, reads: "Heat is a vibration of the minutest particles of matter." The other anticipation is still earlier. Varro, who died in the year 28 B. C., in his "De Re Rustica" describing the dangers of marshy places wrote: "There breed a sort of minute, invisible animals that travel through the air and enter the body through the way of the mouth and nostrils, causing severe diseases." Except that bacteria are not animals, but vegetable, this is a wonderful guess.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.
We are authorized to announce WM. SCHULZ, as a candidate for the office of Representative, subject to nomination by the Republican party.

FOR PRESIDING JUDGE.
We are authorized to announce LOUISA A. PAGE, as a candidate for re-election to the office of Presiding Judge of the County Court, subject to nomination by the Republican party.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE—FIRST DISTRICT.
We are authorized to announce T. H. B. PAUL, as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Judge from the first district, subject to nomination by the Republican party.

PROSECUTING ATTORNEY.
We are authorized to announce WILLIAM A. COOPER, as a candidate for the office of Prosecuting Attorney, subject to nomination by the Republican party.

REPUBLICAN MASS MEETING.

A mass meeting of the Republican voters of Washington County is hereby called, to convene in the city of Potosi, on

SATURDAY, MAY 19TH, 1906, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing delegates to the following conventions:

Six delegates to the Republican State Nominating Convention, to be held at Excelsior Springs, Mo., May 31, 1906.

Three delegates to the Republican State Judicial Convention, to be held at Jefferson City, Mo., July 26, 1906.

Seventeen delegates to the Republican Congressional Convention of the Thirteenth district of Missouri, to be held at Piedmont, Mo., August 7, 1906.

Eight delegates to the Republican Senatorial Convention of the Twenty-fourth district of Missouri, to be held at Salem, Mo., June 16, 1906.

The members of the Republican Central Committee of Washington County are hereby called to meet at Potosi at 10 o'clock a. m., on said 19th day of May, 1906, for the purpose of determining the manner, time and place of nominating a Republican county ticket, and the transaction of such other business as may come before said committee.

W. T. HUNTER, Chairman.
R. P. MACLAY, Secretary.
Potosi, Mo., April 21, 1906.

Probate Court Docket.

Docket of cases in which settlements are due from executors, administrators, guardians and curators, at the ensuing May term of the Probate Court of Washington County, to be held at the court house in said county, commencing on the 20th Monday of May, 1906.
Monday, May 11th, 1906.
Wm. B. Ramsey, guardian of the estate of Adolph and Edith Byrd, minors; annual settlement.
Cynthia Hardie, executor of the estate of Robert Hardie, deceased; annual settlement.
Charles A. Stocking, executor of the estate of Jennie A. Stocking, deceased; annual settlement.
M. E. Rhodes, administrator of the estate of Garner Family, deceased; annual settlement.
Tuesday, May 15th, 1906.
Daniel and Frank Boyer, administrators of the estate of Jacob B. Boyer, deceased; annual settlement.
Rudolph J. Jocke, guardian of the estate of Hannah K. L. Kaston, et al., minors; annual settlement.
M. M. Flynn and John Dougherty, executors of the estate of Patrick Wood, deceased; annual settlement.
Joseph Cresswell, administrator of the estate of Mary Nicholson, deceased; final settlement.
Wednesday, May 16th, 1906.
George C. Leomin, guardian of the estate of Edith Garrett, minor; final settlement.
Albert and Arthur Glorid, executors of the estate of Alexis Glorid, deceased; annual settlement.
Mrs. Ada Southall, executrix of the estate of Mrs. Eliza Southall, deceased; annual settlement.
Alfred G. Mercer, administrator of the estate of George Morgan, deceased; annual settlement.
Thursday, May 17th, 1906.
Lizzie Carr, administratrix of the estate of W. A. Ryan, deceased; annual settlement.
Sarah L. Annett, guardian of the estate of John L. and Eva M. Lester, minors; annual settlement.
Henry C. Lore, executor of the estate of Celeste McCabe, deceased; annual settlement.
W. H. and W. C. Norwine, administrators of the estate of Conrad Norwine, deceased; annual settlement.
J. I. Robinson, executor of the estate of P. M. Robinson, deceased; final settlement.
State of Missouri, vs. J. J. James A. Henson, Judge and Ex-officio Clerk of the Probate Court of said county and state do certify the above to be a true copy of the Probate Court for said county and state, docketed at the May term of the Probate Court for said county and state, 25th day of March, A. D. 1906.
[Seal.] JAMES A. HENSON, Judge of Probate.

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1. National Educational Association Meeting, San Francisco, Cal., July 2nd to 13th. Rate one fare for round trip from points on this system. Dates of sale, June 25th to July 7th inclusive. Final limit, Sept. 15th.
2. Two Special Excursions to Mexico City. Rate, one lowest regular first-class tariff fare for round trip, which will be from St. Louis, \$51.25. Dates of sale, April 25th to May 31st inclusive. Final limit, July 31st. Tickets also on sale June 25th to July 7th inclusive. Final limit, Sept. 15th; \$53.25 round trip.
3. Special Rates, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Denver, Colo., July 16th to 21st. Following rate will apply to Pueblo, Colorado Springs, and Denver: From St. Louis \$21.00. Corresponding reductions from other points. Dates of sale, July 10th to 15th inclusive. Final limit, Aug. 20th, 1906.
4. Summer Tourist Rates to Colorado and Utah. Following round trip rates will apply to Denver, Colorado Springs, and Pueblo from points mentioned: Round trip rate from St. Louis to Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo, \$25.00. Round Trip Rate from St. Louis to Salt Lake and Ogden, \$38.00; date of sale: Tickets sold daily June 1st to Sept. 30th inclusive.

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